

Paige Pellaton | Curriculum Vitae

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Academic Appointments

- 2025–present **Assistant Professor of Political Science**
University of North Florida
Courses: Congress and the Legislative Process; Introduction to American Government; Issues in State and Local Government
- 2024–2025 **Adjunct Assistant Professor of American Politics and Public Policy**
University of California Center Sacramento
Courses: Public Policy in California; Research Design in Public Policy; Governing California; Readings in American Politics

Education

- 2024 **Ph.D.** in Political Science at the University of California, Davis
Dissertation: *“Lawmaking Behind Closed Doors: The Influence of Career-Committee Congruence on State Legislative Behavior”*
Co-Chairs: Matthew S. Shugart, Scott A. MacKenzie
Fields: American Politics, Comparative Politics
- 2020 **M.A.** in Political Science at the University of California, Davis
- 2017 **B.A.** in Political Science at the New College of Florida

Publications

- Pellaton, Paige**, Jonathan P. Colner, Alex Cohen, Cory Struthers, Siddharth Kishore, Scott A. MacKenzie, Matthew S. Shugart, Mehdi Nemati, and Ariel Dinar. Forthcoming 2025. “Chapter 21. Legislative Responsiveness to Climate Change: Politically-driven Adaptation in California’s Agricultural Sector.” In *Handbook on Climate Change Impacts, Mitigation, and Adaptation in Agriculture*, edited by Ariel Dinar and Robert O. Mendelsohn. Cheltenham, UK: Edward Elgar Publishing Ltd.
- Garlick, Alex, Mary Kroeger, and **Paige Pellaton**. 2024. “Legislative Capacity Limits Interest Group Influence: Evidence from California’s Proposition 140.” *Legislative Studies Quarterly*: 1-14. Available online at: <https://doi.org/10.1111/lsq.12478>.
- Copus, Ryan, Ryan Hübert, and **Paige Pellaton**. 2024. “Trading Diversity? Judicial Diversity and Case Outcomes in Federal Courts.” *American Political Science Review*: 1-15. Available online at: <https://doi.org/10.1017/S0003055424000625>.

Working Papers

Pellaton, Paige, and Rana McReynolds. 2025. "On the Emergence and Behavior of Minoritized State Lawmakers."

Pellaton, Paige. 2025. "The Room Where It Happens: Ideological Conflict in State Legislative Committees."

Pellaton, Paige. 2025. "Trust Me, I'm an Expert: The Impact of Career-Committee Congruence on State Legislative Entrepreneurship"

Policy Papers

Murphy, Colin, **Paige Pellaton**, and Samuel Fuller. 2022. "Improving the Transfer of Knowledge from Scientists to Policy Makers: Best Practices and New Opportunities to Engage." Institute of Transportation Studies, University of California, Davis. Research Report UCD-ITS-RR-22-04. Available online at: <https://doi.org/10.7922/G2J101G9>.

D'Agostino, Mollie, **Paige Pellaton**, and Brittany White. 2020. "Equitable Congestion Pricing." Institute of Transportation Studies, University of California, Davis. Research Report UCD-ITS-RR-20-88. Available online at: <https://escholarship.org/uc/item/17h3k4db>.

D'Agostino, Mollie, **Paige Pellaton**, and Austin Brown. 2019. "Mobility Data Sharing: Challenges and Policy Recommendations." Institute of Transportation Studies, University of California, Davis. Research Report UCD-ITS-RR-19-19. Available online at: <https://escholarship.org/uc/item/4gw8g9ms>.

Awards

2023	The APSA Thomas Carsey Graduate Fellowship Award	\$300
2023	The Merk Family Distinguished Prospectus Award	\$4,000
2022	The WPSA Charles Redd Award for Best Paper on the Politics of the American West	\$250
2021	The Russell J. & Dorothy S. Bilinski Educational Foundation Dissertation Fellowship	\$50,000
2017	The UC Davis Provost's Fellowship in the Arts, Humanities and Social Sciences	\$57,500

Conference Presentations and Invited Talks

Invited Talks.....

- 2026 "Redrawing the Lines: What Florida's Midcycle Redistricting Means for Washington" (Jacksonville Urban League)
"Results Pending: The American Experiment @ 250" (University of North Florida)
- 2023 "Knowing What Works: Evaluating Public Policy for Effectiveness, Equity, and Efficiency," (Chicano Latino Youth Leadership Project Statewide Leadership Conference)

Conferences.....

- 2026 Panelist, Southern Political Science Association (New Orleans, LA)
- 2025 Panelist, Western Political Science Association (Seattle, WA)
- 2023 Panelist and Discussant, Western Political Science Association (San Francisco, CA)
Panelist, Women in Legislative Studies Conference (Providence, RI)
- 2022 Presenter, UC Davis American Politics Reading Group (Davis, CA)
Presenter, UC Davis Political Science Research Workshop (Davis, CA)
Panelist, Western Political Science Association (Portland, OR)
Panelist, Midwest Political Science Association (Chicago, IL)

Service

- 2025–present UNF Liaison The Washington Center
- 2025–present Faculty Advisor College Democrats of UNF
- 2024–2025 Editor UCCS Undergraduate Journal
- 2020-2023 Co-Coordinator UC Davis Political Science Women's Roundtable
- 2019-2021 Coordinator UC Davis American Politics Reading Group
- 2019-2020 President UC Davis Graduate Association of Political Science Students

Professional Development

- 2025 Say What You See: Writing Effective Alt Text for Course Content (UNF Center for Instruction and Research Technology)
Smarter Canvas Design: Ally & the Accessibility Checker Explained (UNF CIRT)
- 2025 Smarter Assessments with Transparent Design Workshop (UC Davis Center for Educational Effectiveness)

Technical Skills

Programming: R

Other: QUALTRICS, SQL

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